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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

## COUNTY SOLONS IN REGULAR SESSION

Only Routine Business Transacted Except Contract  
for Steel Bridge Over Santa Fe River

Gainesville, Fla., Nov. 2, 1909.

The Board of County Commissioners met this day, with Chairman J. G. Dampier, C. W. Summers, O. P. Cannon, J. W. May and J. F. Townsend present. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were ordered paid: S. H. Wienges, auditor, \$50; W. M. Torlay, guard, \$30; Mose Sherman, janitor, \$30; Bell Telephone Co., \$7; J. C. McGrew, supervisor, \$25; Mrs. Ida Streeter, care Chas. Wise, \$15; C. C. Warren, game warden, \$50. For support: Bessie Goodson, \$5; Elizabeth Jones, \$5; W. M. Ward, \$10; Richard Griffin, \$5; John Mitchell, \$5; John Mitchell, \$3. S. H. Wienges, for abstracting tax sale, \$40.83; J. D. Matheson, commissions, \$1.91; Walker, Evans & Cogswell Company, book, \$23.30; Atlantic Plumbing Company, \$3; W. D. Dickinson, commissions, \$136.19; M. H. DePass, services, \$4; H. & W. B. Drew Co., book, \$16.50; P. G. Ramsey, services for lunatic, \$3.10; Gilbert Berry, fixing chimneys, \$3; E. Lartigue, professional services, \$3; H. H. McCreary, sundry bills, \$24.17; H. H. McCreary, road election district notice, \$6; L. A. Jernigan, care clock, \$10; A. J. Vidal, books, \$1.65; East Florida Telephone Company, \$4.70; Gainesville Hardware Company, 33 cents; J. W. May, road plow, \$8; S. M. Davis, teams on road, \$48; Benson & Son, road work, \$6.60; J. L. Shaw, road work, \$109.75; J. W. May, team, \$16; E. C. Chitty & Son, road supplies, \$24.45; T. A. Waits, road service, \$50; Crawford & Davis, road teams, \$97; L. C. Willis, road supplies, \$37.50; G. H. Kelley, road work, \$6; W. P. McKnight, road work, \$1.50; W. M. Johnson, drugs, \$6.45; G. S. Merchant & Co., supplies, \$63.54; O. P. Cannon, freight, \$1.67; F. J. Hammond, road work, \$16.83; G. L. Kelley, road work, \$1; T. R. Waits, services, \$62; A. L. Webb, road supplies, \$4.80; C. M. McKinney, road work, \$3; W. N. Townsend, road work, \$5; J. F. Townsend, road work, \$16; H. C. Parker, road

supplies, \$35.31; Baker & Lockwood, supplies, \$19.28; J. R. Feaster, road services, \$56.50; Gainesville Foundry and Machine Works, castings for roller, \$130; T. A. Doke, supplies, \$7.50; B. Z. Williams, road supplies, \$4.50; Melton Lumber Company, lumber, \$28.65; C. W. Summers, four days on road, \$16; C. A. Martin, lumber, \$27.73; W. J. Matthews, road work, \$3; N. G. Matthews, road work, \$50; Hardee Bros., supplies for road, \$12.93; Tucker & Roland, supplies, \$6.32; W. W. Colson, commissions on assessments, \$115.05; R. F. Bowden, feeding Owen, \$12.80.

Board adjourned.

Wednesday, Nov. 3.

The board met this day pursuant to adjournment and made the following orders: That the commissioners be paid as follows for road work: J. G. Dampier, \$200; J. F. Townsend, \$200; J. W. May, \$200; O. P. Cannon, \$560; J. G. Dampier, four days on road, \$16; O. P. Cannon, four days on road, \$16; P. G. Ramsey, feeding prisoners, \$272.80; J. M. Dell, M. D., services, \$7; G. B. Evans, checking road account, \$6.

That the following persons be paid for fees in criminal cases: H. G. Mason, \$18.19; P. G. Ramsey, \$17.50; T. B. Tillis, \$9.16; R. S. Strickland, \$22.65; H. C. Sealey, \$8.28; M. T. Fralic, \$14.75; I. J. Carter, \$16.47; S. G. Wynne, \$17.55; M. A. Bexley, \$6.50; S. P. Thomas, \$10.95; John Roberts, \$11.86; John Thomas, \$8.95; J. T. Stokes, \$5.09; W. F. Harris, \$6.95.

That T. M. Kincaid, treasurer of sub-road district, be paid \$700; O. P. Cannon, pair mules, \$450.

S. H. Wienges was ordered to sell the poor farm for \$1,250. L. E. Story, R. C. Brown and G. A. Byles were appointed to mark out a road to Magnesia Springs, via Grove Park.

The board accepted the bid of the Roanoke Bridge Company for the construction of a steel bridge across the Santa Fe river, north of High Springs.

The bonds of W. M. Edwards and

## FLORIDA WOMAN BUYS AEROPLANE

TO TAKE LESSONS AND BECOME  
FIRST-CLASS AVIATOR.

This is the First Case on Record  
Where a Woman Has Bought  
a Flying Machine.

HAMMONDSPOUT, N. Y., Nov. 6.—A contract has just been closed here by Mrs. H. A. Arnold of Florida, whereby she becomes the owner of an aeroplane of the Curtiss type, in which she intends to make flights.

Mrs. Arnold owns a magnificent country home near the East Coast of Florida, 150 miles from Jacksonville. The grounds and outlying country are admirably adapted to aviation. She is an enthusiast on the subject, and wishes to experiment in aviation.

Mrs. Arnold watched a flight by Herring in Indiana, and received then the first impetus to attempt experiments in the air. Some time ago she came to Hammondsport with the expectation of seeing an aeroplane in flight, but was disappointed. During the week the weather conditions were unfavorable for exhibitions.

The aeroplane purchased is the one used by Curtiss in Chicago and at the Hudson-Fulton celebration. It has a thirty-horse-power water-cooled engine and is equipped with the new type of four-blade propeller. The machine has been reassembled here and successfully used during the past week by Charles K. Hamilton of New Britain, Conn.

Mrs. Arnold, who is touring the North in an automobile with servants, expects to attempt flights in Florida within a month. The machine, while primarily intended for one person, will carry a passenger as well as the aviator. It is the intention of Mrs. Arnold to begin by making short runs and gradually increasing the speed to running jumps.

This is the first purchase of an aeroplane by a woman in any part of the world, so far as known. Mrs. Arnold is a brunette, of slight build and weighs about ninety pounds.

Chas. C. Martin were approved as notaries.

R. N. Owens, I. J. Phinmon and L. H. Grimes, having complied with the law, were granted permits to carry a pistol, and A. W. Taylor's repeating rifle.

The report of Treasurer Matheson showed \$28,486.92. In the several funds of the county.

The board then adjourned.

## IN HOPELESS CONDITION.

J. W. Bennett Was Taken to Hospital  
Late in the Evening.

From Sunday's Daily Sun:

J. W. Bennett, well-known here and who resides in the southern part of the city, was taken to the city hospital Saturday night in a most helpless condition.

For some time past he has been confined to his bed, but only within the past few days has his case become alarming and an operation decided upon. It is stated by the physicians in charge that his intestines have grown to his side, and that unless a successful operation can be performed his case is a hopeless one. Last night much fear was entertained that he would not live through the night.

## Has Moved to City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hall have removed from their farm near Alachua to this city, and will in future make this their home. They are pleasantly located in East Gainesville, where they are at home to their many friends.

Twelve hundred dollars was raised in Tampa last Tuesday by ladies of that city for the burning shed for the children's home.

## CONGRESSMAN SCOTT ENDORSES CANNON

And By So Doing the Kansas Man Expects to Be  
Appointed Secretary of Agriculture

GARRETT, Kans., Nov. 6.—I came to Garrett to hear Congressman Charles F. Scott, representative of the Second Kansas District, explain to his constituents why he voted for the Payne-Aldrich bill.

From the press gallery in Washington I had many times heard Mr. Scott give his vote for the perpetuation of the Cannon-Aldrich ring rule. I had noticed that when the Speaker cracked his whip, Mr. Scott could be depended upon to vote "regular."

Of Mr. Scott it can be said that he is a "standpatter" in Washington and a "progressive" at home. In his speech he eulogized Speaker Cannon and portrayed him as a much-misrepresented and maligned man.

"My dear people," he said, dropping his voice to a prayer-like whisper, "I caution you to be on your guard. The Democratic newspapers and some of the Republican newspapers would have you think that the Speaker of the House was an autocrat, a czar, a man lacking in patriotism, who would actually like to prevent a member of Congress from representing his constituents."

Mr. Scott stepped nearer the audience, spread out both hands over the heads of the people, and an intense stillness settled upon the house. There was a suspicion of a choking sensation in the speaker's voice when he finally continued in the low prayerful tone:

"I am thinking," he said, of another great man who was painted as black as night—Abraham Lincoln."

Some in the audience were visibly affected. Others moved uneasily in their seats.

"Yes, Abraham Lincoln was maligned in his day," said Mr. Scott. "And there was another great man who was the target for slander, Garfield. And my good people, there was another to whom I want to call your attention. It was William McKinley."

As he closed the sentence the speaker's voice descended lower and lower, and finally dropped to nothing.

Some of the women auditors were plainly on the point of bursting into tears. Then Mr. Scott came to the rescue by throwing sentimentality to the wind, demanding almost fiercely:

"Do you suppose Mr. Cannon's constituents would return him to Congress session after session if he was a bad man?"

An old gentleman in the audience

arose as if he intended to answer the question, when Congressman Scott beat him to it.

"Certainly not," thundered Mr. Scott, and the old man sat down.

"Now as to the tariff," said Mr. Scott. "Why did I sign that bill? Well, because it was the bill of the Republican party. The tariff bill has been greatly misrepresented. Even some of the Republican papers have not been guiltless. I marvel how the average American citizen can be fooled like he is being fooled. Why, all you have to do is to read the bill, like I did, and you will see for yourself that the revision was downward. That is why I voted for the Payne-Aldrich bill! Because it was an absolute fulfillment of the Republican campaign promise. How can anyone doubt it. President William Howard Taft has given his word that the revision was downward, and for any of you to take the position it was not downward is to challenge the veracity of the President of the United States."

Mr. Scott said that he considered his address as an official report of the manner in which he had discharged the trust reposed in him by his constituents, and the meeting closed. There had been no symptom of applause in the course of the Congressman's address, but at the close most of the women and a few of the men indulged in hand-clapping, while in the rear two rows of young men beat a tattoo on the floor with their feet with such persistency as to indicate they had been under a course of special training for the event.

Mr. Scott is a talented, highly educated, clear-cut type of man. Why will a man of his qualifications support an aggregation like the Cannon-Aldrich oligarchy, which stands for gang rule and everything that is bad in politics?

Perhaps this is an answer to the query: Mr. Scott is ambitious. By voting as Speaker Cannon directs him, he sees a possible chance of advancing himself. Mr. Cannon has already made Representative Scott chairman of the committee of agriculture, which is a nice berth in itself. And by using all his energy to promote Cannonism and Aldrichism Mr. Scott hopes to be appointed Secretary of Agriculture.

A little want ad. will accomplish big results.

## Florida Newspapers Are In Favor of a Convention

The Pensacola Evening News is heartily in favor of a State Democratic convention and believes the holding of such a convention would be the best possible thing for the party in this State. It would serve to bring the various divisions and factions of the party together on a common Democratic footing and would give us a party organization of some strength and cohesiveness—something we now entirely lack.

The News expresses its surprise that certain papers in the State so bitterly oppose the convention. No good reason has ever been given for their attitude and it is to be presumed, their only fear is that a convention would militate against the primary system and threaten its permanence. A State Democratic convention would have very little to do or to say about the primary system, which is a fixture, established by statute. Such a convention would not attempt to nominate a single candidate for office or even to recommend one to the voters. Its purpose would be to adopt a platform and policy for the party in this State, to establish rules and map out a chart for the

proper course of the Democratic ship. The Democratic party of Florida is the only Democratic party division in this country which hasn't a vestige of a platform and has no established declaration of policy. The only semblance of organization which it affords is an executive committee, which is rarely heard of and which doesn't maintain an active participation in party affairs except during the progress of a primary campaign. At present the Democratic party of Florida is merely a convenience for office-seekers and Democracy in Florida is only a cloak for the most disgraceful and playboyish variety of personal and "peanut" politics.

Of course, we want a State Democratic convention. The News, by the way, suggests that "it might be interesting to hear from the chairman of the State Executive Committee on this important subject."

Let's see—who is the chairman of the State Executive Committee? It is such a useless, dormant body and we hear of it so infrequently, that we must confess we have forgotten all about it.—Tampa Tribune.

## Sea Island Cotton Sells For 30 Cents in Savannah

SAVANNAH, Nov. 6.—The Sea Island cotton market has ruled active and very strong the past week and prices advanced rapidly. Quotations for fancy and extra choice are 3 to 3½c higher. As fancy reached 30c a good deal of holding cotton came out, resulting in some increase of offerings and a corresponding lull in the demand, so that the close was quiet. The three lowest grades are nominal, there being no stock.

No change is noted in crop accounts, except that reports from Florida say the ginning is approaching completion. Sales for the week 2,325 bales.

The following prices were based on factors' quotations and are revised weekly on Fridays:

Fancy Florida..... 29  
Fancy Georgia..... 29

Ex. choice Floridas..... 29 @ 29½  
Ex. choice Georgias..... 29  
Choice Ga's. and Fla's..... 26 @ 27  
Ex. fine Ga's. and Fla's..... 23  
Fine Ga's. and Fla's..... 19 @ 20  
Com. Ga's. and Fla's..... 16

CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 6.—Sea Island, market steady, good demand. Fine, 33c; fully fine, 35c; extra, 37c. Receipts, 398; exports, 57; stock, 2,346. Sales, 730.

## Before Mayor Davis.

Billy Roundtree, a negro woman who claims Tampa as her home, was arrested here Saturday by Marshal Dill for telling fortunes on the streets. The mayor let her off with a warning of costs and she at once took out the necessary license.